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BULBS

ADVANCE LIST

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LIST 2301

This list is issued early for your benefit. Every class of bulbs is mentioned and in most cases definite prices are quoted. On some things prices are not set until later, but in all cases you should cover your wants now. It is perfectly certain that many items, (for instance Anemones, Baby Gladioli, Spanish Iris, Ranunculus, etc.) will be sold out by delivery time. Last season's experience is sufficient indication of that. Besides prices are very likely indeed to advance on some lines as shortages become more evident.

There is no well-grounded objection to ordering at market price on such items as French bulbs, Japanese Lily bulbs, etc. Prices are usually almost uniform when set and my connections are such as to assure high quality and lowest prices consistent with it.

So "do it now!" Tackle the job promptly and get your bulb requirements off your mind.

TERMS

Holland and French prices are at warehouses in country of origin.

Japanese and Chinese bulbs are usually sold f. o. b. San Francisco and quotations (when made) include all packing charges and ocean freights.

On domestic bulbs the practice varies, but usually the packing charges are very slight or none at all. All domestic bulbs are for shipment from some California point unless otherwise specified.

Delivery time ranges from late summer to early winter according to time of ripening of bulbs. In the absence of other instructions all bulbs will be shipped when ripe and properly cured.

Terms 60 days net to parties with established credit. Otherwise 25% with order; balance C. O. D. or before shipment.

NOTE

Orders already booked "at market price" will take rates shown herein and these rates will also apply to any orders which may have been booked at any higher rates.

Unless otherwise specified quantity rates will apply as follows:

50 or more at 100 rate
500 or more at 1,000 rate

GROWN IN AMERICA

ALSTROEMERIA

(PERUVIAN LILY)

A. aurantiaca—The best form. Flowers orange with brown markings. Great producer of cut flowers. Decidedly profitable for florist and beautiful as a garden plant. This is the first time I have been able to offer field grown stock.

Strong roots..\$20.00 per 100 ; \$175.00 per,1 000

St. Brigid—A rare and beautiful strain blooming later than Caen with double or semi-double flowers in much the same shades. Bulbs are rather smaller than Caen. Guaranteed to be of the genuine Irish strain.

Per 100 Per 1000

1-year, No. 1.....\$4.00 \$35.00

AMARYLLIS

Belladonna—Flowering bulbs \$8.00 per 100

Vittata Hybrids—Produce enormous flowers in shades of red with light or white stripes. All bulbs are flowering size. For shipment from Alabama.

Per 10 Per 100

2½ to 3-in. diam.....\$5.50 \$50.00

2½ in. diam.....4.50 40.00

BEGONIAS
Tuberous Begonias are widely used in the East for both pots and gardens. Their use in California gardens is rapidly increasing as with shade and plenty of water they can be grown where the summer heat is not intense.

I will be able to supply a wide range of colors in Single, Crested, Frilled and Double for delivery in late fall. Can be ordered now subject to market price which will probably be about the same as heretofore.

ANEMONE

Caen—The best known type of single tuberous Anemone. Flowers are single and cover quite a wide range of shades in red and blue. In great demand for cut flowers and gardens.

One-year bulbs will give just as good results but seed stores prefer the two-year as they are so much larger.

Per 100 Per 1000

2-year, Extra large.....\$3.50 \$30.00

2-year, No. 2.....3.00 25.00

1-year, No. 1.....3.00 25.00

1-year, No. 2.....2.50 20.00

1-year, No. 3.....2.00 15.00

CALLAS

Aethiopica—The common old-fashioned "Calla Lily" too well known to require description. These bulbs are difficult to keep and while I will guarantee them to be in perfect condition when shipped I can assume no responsibility whatever for any subsequent deterioration.

Per 100

2-in. and up.....\$16.00

1¾ to 2-in.....12.00

1½ to 1¾-in.....8.50

1¼ to 1½-in.....5.00

Godfrey—This variety is becoming a great favorite, particularly with florists. Its growth is more compact than the common form. It blooms more freely and is a little later. Bulbs are much smaller but results are same as from an *Aethiopica* bulb twice as large.

	Per 100
1½-in. and up.....	\$15.00
1¼ to 1½-in.....	9.00
1 to 1¼-in.....	7.50
¾ to 1 -in.....	5.00

Elliottiana—(Yellow Calla.) The true deep golden yellow variety. Leaves are spotted.

	Per Doz.	Per 100
3-in. and up.....	\$5.00	\$30.00
2½ to 3 -in.....	4.00	25.00
2 to 2½-in.....	3.50	20.00
1½ to 2 -in.....	3.00	15.00
1 to 1½-in.....	2.50	12.50

Maculata—Flowers nearly white. Leaves conspicuously spotted white.

	Per Doz.	Per 100
3-in. and up.....	\$4.00	\$25.00
2½ to 3 -in.....	3.50	20.00
2 to 2½-in.....	3.00	16.00
1½ to 2 -in.....	2.50	12.50
1¼ to 1½-in.....	2.00	10.00

CHINA LILY

Hitherto all large bulbs for flowering in water have been imported from the Orient. Last year a new bulb district in Southern California produced better bulbs than imported and which flowered fully as well and even earlier. I arranged for a good supply of these for fall, 1923.

The bulbs will be very large and will open into clusters which will produce several spikes of flowers from one bulb. The strain is true-white perianth with deep yellow center.

I will also handle imported bulbs for those who prefer them but recommend these as better.

	Per 100	Per 1000
Selected, large bulbs.....	\$7.50	
Round bulbs, No. 1.....	3.00	\$25.00

FREESIAS

Purity—The standard white variety.

	Per 100	Per 1000
¾-in. and up.....	\$5.00	\$35.00
⅝ to ¾-in.....	2.50	17.50
½ to ⅝-in.....	1.50	10.00
7/16-inch	1.00	7.50
⅜ to ½-in.....	.75	5.00

The two larger sizes will not be booked except in connection with ½ to ⅝-in. or smaller, and strictly subject to crop results.

Rainbow—This designation is now used as a trade name for a general mixture of any or all strains of colored freesias and always unavoidably contains a small proportion of whites.

	Per 100	Per 1000
⅝ to ¾-in.....	\$4.00	\$30.00
½ to ⅝-in.....	3.00	20.00
⅜ to ½-in.....	2.50	15.00
¼ to ⅜-in.....	2.00	12.50

The largest size will not be booked except in connection with ½ to ⅝-in. or smaller.

Gen. Pershing—The best forcing variety. Orange and red in the open but when forced is nearer pink with very long stems.

	Per 100	Per 1000
Forcing size (over ½-in.).....	\$3.50	\$30.00

ASSORTED COLORED (named)

Barr's Primrose
Buttercup (yellow)
Gen. Pershing (pink)
Splendens (lavender)

	Per 100	Per 1000
½ to ⅝-in.....	\$3.50	\$30.00
⅜ to ½-in.....	3.00	25.00

NEW FREESIAS

Absolute novelties. The following seven beautiful new colored freesias are the result of years of painstaking effort by Alois Frey who originated Gen. Pershing, the best colored variety to date.

Understand, this is the first time these have ever been offered for sale and it is your chance to get in early on a good thing.

Descriptions are by Mr. Frey and bulbs offered are of his own raising. Stock is of course limited.

Aurora, a large flowering yellow suffused with orange, a variety which has many admirers.

California, a large flower of bright golden yellow, extra fine strong growth and long stems; one of the very finest yellow freesias.

Carmencita, medium sized flower of a beautiful light orange-salmon hue with buff shading on the lower petals. Long wiry stems.

Carrie Budau, a lavender pink, a great improvement over Gen. Pershing, larger flowers and heavier stems; an enormous grower and producer.

Ilena, deep rosy lavender with white throat, deep orange blotch on lower petal and good stiff stems. Flowers large and very attractive.

June Michelsen, large flowering deep rose pink with light blush throat, three lower petals are veined purplish crimson with a deep yellow blotch on center petal. Good stiff stem and strong constitution. A variety of special merit.

Olivette, bright carmine red with light yellow throat, lower petals having a deep yellow blotch with crimson veins. Very profuse bloomer.

Flowering bulbs. \$1.00 per doz.; \$5.00 per 100.

GLADIOLI

Baby or Dwarf—The dwarf, early flowering type of *Gladiolus* so much used by florists. Being under the embargo they are scarce.

Ackermanni (salmon red)

Blushing Bride (white flaked rose)

Brilliant (orange carmine)

Peach Blossom (pure pink)

Red Bride (dull red)

The Bride (pure white)

	Per 100	Per 1000
Flowering size.....	\$4.00	\$35.00

Tall Growing—A separate and complete price list of the ordinary type of *Gladiolus* will be issued later but I call the attention of all forcers or any who are interested in getting early flowers to the following special lot. These bulbs were planted early; they will ripen early and be shipped as soon as thoroughly cured, about September for Myrtle and Wilbrink and early October for Halley and Prince of Wales. If you want to catch the earliest market on the four best early varieties this is your chance.

	Per 100	Per 1000
Halley , salmon pink—		
1½-in. and up.....	\$3.00	\$25.00
1¼ to 1½-in.....	2.50	20.00
1 to 1¼-in.....	2.00	15.00
Myrtle , rose pink—		
1½-in. and up.....	\$5.00	\$40.00
1¼ to 1½-in.....	4.00	30.00
1 to 1¼-in.....	3.00	25.00
Prince of Wales , salmon shaded orange—		
1½-in. and up.....	\$5.00	\$35.00
1¼ to 1½-in.....	4.00	30.00
1 to 1¼-in.....	3.00	25.00
Wilbrink , lavender pink—		
1½-in. and up.....	\$4.00	\$30.00
1¼ to 1½-in.....	3.00	25.00
1 to 1¼-in.....	2.50	20.00

GLOXINIAS

I can supply bulbs in a good assortment of colors. Stock limited and prices not yet set but will be about as usual and can be ordered now at market price.

IRIS

Spanish—Well-known and universally prized for garden and forcing. Since the embargo the supply has been utterly inadequate to the demand. They will be sold out early.

Bazaine, bronze
Beauty, porcelain blue
Belle Chinoise, yellow
British Queen, white, large
Cajanus, yellow
Captain of the Blues, dark blue
Flora, white and light lilac
Heavenly Blue, deep sky blue
Reconnaissance, bronze
Royal Blue, real marine blue
Hercules, dark bronze
King of the Blues, deep dark blue
King of the Whites, large pure white
Prinz Heinrich, (New) best bronze
Queen Wilhelmina, pure white, early

	Per 100	Per 1000
Flowering size	\$4.00	\$35.00

Improved Spanish or "Dutch." These are not so well known as the ordinary Spanish, being comparatively new. They are hybrids between Spanish and related species. Briefly

they are earlier, larger and have longer stems. If ordered in equal quantities with Spanish they will be booked at same price, but separately the following prices will prevail.

Anton Mauve, soft blue
 Berkemeyer, blue standards grey-blue falls
 Bloomers, lemon yellow lips, standards soft lilac blue
 Brijet, porcelain-blue, with greyish lilac
 C. Van de Windt, standards and falls pure white, central blotch clear yellow
 David Teniers, lemon yellow with lavender blue
 Der Kinderen, dark purple-blue, yellow lips
 Filifolia, very early, fine deep blue
 Filifolia Celestial, sky blue
 Frans Hals, creamy white, orange blotch
 Hart Nibbrig, brilliant clear blue, largest and finest
 Hartz, lips grey lilac, flaked yellow, standards purple-blue
 Hobbema, white with yellow falls
 Rembrandt, dark blue
 Roland Holst, lilac with pale yellow lips
 Van Der Venne, lilac and creamy white
 Per 100 Per 1000
 Flowering size.....\$5.00 \$40.00

IXIAS

Beautiful flowers which will be more widely used as they become better known.

Per 100
 Mixed colors\$3.00

LILIES

Lilium candidum—St. Joseph's Lily, Madonna Lily, Annunciation Lily. A splendid lily for garden or florists. Thrives where longiflorum varieties cannot be grown.

Per Doz. Per 100
 Flowering bulbs\$2.00 \$15.00

Lilium regale—The wonderful "Regal Lily" recently discovered in China. It is one of the most beautiful of all known lilies, the exquisite blending of tints and colors forming a charming contrast with the rich deep green foliage. Highly recommended for general culture both for pots and the open ground where it is hardy, strong and permanent. Flowers white shaded purple, yellow at base. All bulbs offered are flowering sizes and for shipment from Alabama.

Per 10 Per 100
 2 to 2½-in.....\$5.00 \$45.00
 1½ to 2-in..... 3.50 32.50
 For other Lilies see "Japanese Bulbs."

NARCISSUS

Chinese Sacred Lily or "Water Fairy." See under "China Lily" above.
 Paper White—See under Paper White below.
 Daffodils—Emperor and Empress.

Per 100 Per 1000
 No. 1 1½-in. and up.....\$3.00 \$24.00
 No. 2 1¼ to 1½-in..... 2.00 16.00

PAPER WHITES

This is probably imported in larger quantities than any other Narcissus. It is nonsense to claim that California grown bulbs won't force. Repeated tests show that they will if properly cured but they want plenty of water during forcing. Results cannot be guaranteed but bulbs supplied will be well-grown, thoroughly cured and will give complete satisfaction if properly handled.

Per 100 Per 1000
 No. 1 1½-in. and up.....\$3.00 \$24.00
 No. 2 1¼ to 1½-in..... 2.00 16.00

RANUNCULUS

These beautiful flowers have been greatly missed since the embargo but California will soon be able to supply the demand. At present there are not enough. The French Hybrids are generally preferred for their great variety of gay colors.

French Giant Hybrids—

It is with great pleasure that I offer a very superior strain. The range of colors is very wide; flowers run up to as much as three inches diameter with stems up to two feet long. Seed stores greatly prefer two-year bulbs for counter trade on account of their very large size. The one-year bulbs

though much smaller will in reality give just as good results.

Per 100 Per 1000
 2-year, Extra large.....\$3.50 \$30.00
 2-year, No. 2..... 3.00 25.00
 1-year, No. 1..... 3.00 25.00
 1-year, No. 2..... 2.50 20.00

NAMED OR SEPARATE COLORS

DOUBLE TURBAN

Turban d'Or, orange Romano, scarlet
 Seraphyne, citron Merveilleuse, yellow
 Viridiflorus, red, green center

DOUBLE PERSIAN

Fireball, scarlet
 Jaune Supreme, yellow
 Orange Brilliant
 1-year, No. 1.....\$3.50 per 100

SNOWFLAKE

Leucojum vernum—Spring Snowflake, blooms early. Flowers white, tipped green. Excellent for cutting.

Per 100 Per 1000
 First size\$2.50 \$20.00
 Second size 2.00 15.00

SPIREAS

(*Astilbe*)

The beautiful and popular florists' Spireas or Astilbes while not really bulbs are of the same general culture so are included here. They have been very scarce since the embargo. Supply is not yet equal to demand so order without delay if you want any. For shipment from Washington (Puget Sound district).

America, lavender pink
 Gladstone (Avalanche) white
 Peachblossom, pink
 Philadelphia, dark pink
 Queen Alexandra, dark pink
 Rubens, dark pink
 Strong clumps.....\$30.00 per 100

TUBEROSES

Single or Double.....\$2.50 per 100

TULIPS

Thorough forcing tests made this year for the third season have demonstrated convincingly that Oregon-grown Tulips will force easily two weeks ahead of imported and equal them in other respects. Thoroughly cured bulbs can be delivered anywhere on the Pacific Coast in early September. The bulbs are not quite as large as Holland-grown but are firmer and give just as large flowers. In comparing prices bear in mind that a nominal packing charge and freight from Oregon is the only addition to be made to quoted price. These tulips are specially recommended to forcers who should see the great advantages without further comment. Shipment from Salem, Oregon.

Per 100 Per 1000
 Forcing size\$3.00 \$27.50

(except as noted)

COTTAGE TULIPS

(Single Late)

Bouton d'Or, golden yellow
 Inglescombe Pink, salmon pink
 Inglescombe Yellow, canary yellow
 Picotee (Maiden Blush), white edged rose

DARWIN TULIPS

Clara Butt, salmon pink.....\$3.00 \$25.00
 Carl Becker, soft rose flushed salmon
 Europe, scarlet rose..... 4.00 35.00
 Gretchen, silvery pink
 Isis, crimson scarlet
 Massachusetts, pink edged blush.. 3.50 30.00
 Mme. Krelage, rose edged pink..... 3.50 30.00
 Napoleon
 Phyllis, white and lilac
 Pride of Haarlem, carmine rose
 Prof. Rauwenhoff, cherry red, lge. 3.50 30.00
 Prof. Darwin, crimson, red, early
 Psyche, soft salmon rose
 Sieraad Van Flora, strawberry red
 Suzon, delicate buff rose
 Wm. Pitt, brilliant red, large..... 4.00 35.00

SINGLE EARLY TULIPS

Prince of Austria, coppery red

WATSONIA

White\$3.00 per 100

FOREIGN GROWN

LILY OF THE VALLEY

Imported from Germany and Holland. The German is the only satisfactory type for forcing. The Holland is OK for planting out and is generally used by seed stores. Prices are f.o.b. New York and subject to change. Present quotations for immediate delivery are:

Per 1000
 German-grown\$30.00
 Holland-grown 15.00

JAPANESE AND CHINESE

China Lily—The domestic article I offer above under "Grown in America" is better but I can also supply the imported. They come in baskets of 30 bulbs and 4 baskets (120 bulbs) to a mat and should be ordered accordingly. Price not yet set but usually ranges from \$8.00 to \$11.00 per 100.

EASTER LILIES

Lilium giganteum—For Easter forcing. This is the standard variety for forcing in pots.

The size most commonly used is 7-9-inch bulbs which come from Japan packed 300 to a case. Larger bulbs are available but are higher priced. Prices on all Japanese bulbs are not made until about shipping time but I strongly recommend ordering now at market price. You have absolutely nothing to lose by so doing and then bulbs are shipped to you as soon as they arrive from Japan. Prices on these and all other Japanese bulbs are made f. o. b. San Francisco.

Lilium formosum—Similar to *giganteum* but earlier and grown mainly for cutting. Sizes same; price usually a little higher.

Lilies, various kinds—The following lily bulbs are all imported from Japan for various uses: cut flowers, seed store trade, etc. Orders can be booked in advance for any of them either in case lots or less at market price.

L. auratum
L. henryi
L. multiflorum
L. speciosum album
L. speciosum magnificum
L. speciosum melpomene
L. speciosum rubrum
L. tigrinum
L. tigrinum double

HOLLAND BULBS

There is considerable variation in quality, but as usual the best is the cheapest. The entire list of Dutch Bulbs is too long to give in full but the list below embraces items most generally used. Prices are in Holland and are for the bulbs only. All Pacific Coast shipments will come via Panama Canal with refrigerator service. I can supply anything grown in Holland. Ocean freight, packing, insurance, etc., are payable on arrival of bulbs. It is a delusion to think that Dutch bulbs are cheaper if bought f. o. b. this Country. Of course it does not pay to import very small lots direct and I will gladly book any such orders on an f. o. b. San Francisco basis, prices to be same as charged by other dealers. I recommend direct importation on orders of \$50 or more. For smaller lots better order f. o. b. San Francisco.

The following rates are all per 1,000 but will be applied to smaller lots as well. If you are in the market for rather large quantities write me for special quotation.

TULIPS

SINGLE EARLY

Cottage Maid, rose and white.....\$25.00
 Coleur Cardinal, crimson..... 30.00
 Crimson Brilliant, bright crimson..... 18.00
 Fred Moore, orange red..... 18.00
 Keizerskroon, red and yellow..... 24.00
 King of the Yellows, golden yellow..... 20.00
 La Reine, white..... 18.00
 Prince of Austria, brownish red..... 24.00
 Prosperity, pink..... 22.00
 Thos. Moore, orange..... 18.00
 Mixed, separate colors..... 14.00

DOUBLE EARLY

Couronne d'Or, orange and yellow.....\$28.00
 Lucretia, rose violet..... 22.00
 Mr. Vander Hoeft, golden yellow..... 36.00
 Murillo, pink..... 18.00
 Tearose, pale yellow..... 22.00
 Mixed, separate colors..... 16.00

DARWIN

Baronne de la Tonnaye, bright rose.....\$24.00
 Bartigon, carmine red..... 32.00
 Clara Butt, salmon rosy pink..... 20.00
 Dream, soft uniform lilac..... 26.00
 Europe, salmon scarlet, shaded rose..... 30.00
 Farncomb Sanders, the best red..... 25.00
 Gretchen, silvery pale rose..... 20.00
 Massachusetts, pink with white center..... 28.00
 Mme. Krelage, bright lilac rose..... 28.00
 Pride of Haarlem, bright rose..... 22.00
 Prof. Rauwenhoff, full cherry rose..... 32.00
 Psyche, rosy pink..... 22.00
 Rev. Ewbank, heliotrope-lilac..... 24.00
 Sieraad Van Flora, bright red, blue base.. 28.00

Wm. Copeland, bright violet..... 25.00
 Wm. Pitt, bright red..... 36.00
 Mixed, separate colors..... 18.00
 Mixed, all colors..... 16.00

SINGLE LATE or COTTAGE

Bouton d'Or, golden yellow.....\$20.00
 Gesneriana Lutea, yellow..... 20.00
 Gesneriana Spathulata, crimson scarlet... 22.00
 Inglescombe Pink, (Salmon Queen)..... 22.00
 Inglescombe Scarlet, brilliant scarlet..... 22.00
 Inglescombe Yellow, large..... 20.00
 Mrs. Moon, large yellow..... 26.00
 Picotee, white margined rose..... 20.00
 Mixed, all colors..... 16.00

PARROT

Mixed\$18.00

BREEDER

Bronze Queen, soft buff inside tinged
 golden bronze\$28.00
 Mixed 30.00

NARCISSUS

SINGLE

Barri Conspicuus, yellow, orange cup.....\$24.00
 Emperor, double nose..... 30.00
 Emperor, round..... 20.00
 Empress, double nose..... 30.00
 Empress, round..... 20.00
 Golden Spur, double nose..... 36.00
 Golden Spur, round..... 24.00
 King Alfred, double nose..... 80.00
 King Alfred, round..... 60.00
 Sir Watkin, double nose..... 32.00
 Sir Watkin, round..... 24.00
 Victoria, double nose..... 36.00
 Victoria, round..... 25.00
 Poeticus Ornatus, double nose..... 22.00
 Poeticus Ornatus, round..... 10.00
 Mixed, all colors..... 12.00

DOUBLE

Albo Pleno Odorato, sweet scented.....\$24.00
 Orange Phoenix, yellow and orange..... 26.00
 Sulphur Phoenix, sulphur white..... 26.00
 Van Sion, double nose..... 32.00
 Van Sion, round..... 20.00

JONQUILS

Common Double\$18.00
 Common Single 18.00
 Campnello Double 20.00
 Campnello Single 20.00

POETAZ

Aspasia 35.00
 Elvira 35.00
 Laurens Koster 35.00

CROCUS

Mixed, separate colors.....\$5.00

FRENCH BULBS

Certain bulbs are largely grown in the southern part of France. Owing to weather conditions somewhat like those of California the ripening time of the bulbs is considerably advanced and they force much earlier than the same varieties grown in Holland.

Prices (except on Hyacinths) are not set until crop is ready to ship so it is absolutely necessary to order in advance at market price.

General terms are about the same as on Dutch bulbs. Prices are for the bulbs only and at Ollioules, France.

HYACINTHS

	Per 1000
First size	\$80.00
Second size	\$70.00
Bismarck, best blue, single	
L'Innocence, best white, single	
Lady Derby, pink, single	
Queen of Pinks, pink, single	

ROMAN HYACINTHS

Graded 12-15 cm. (about 1½-in. diam. and up)
 11-12 cm. (about 1¼-1½-in. diam.)

Light Rose
 Dark Rose
 White
 Light Blue
 Dark Blue

NARCISSUS

Emperor
 Golden Spur
 Trumpet Major (12 cm. 1½-in. diam. and up.)
 Victoria
 Grand Monarque
 Grand Soleil d'Or (Yellow Paper White)
 Paper White Grandiflora
 Paper Whites are graded 13 cm. and up (about 1½-in. diameter and up) and "Extra Large."